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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2003, Applicants respectfully request the following comments:

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COMMENTS

Claims 11-19 remain pending in the present application. In response to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the above-captioned Application in view of the following comments.

The Proposed Combination of Spitzer/Sionic Eyewear Does Not Make Obvious the Eyeglass Recited in Claims 11-19

Claims 11-19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,349,001 issued to Spitzer in view the article titled "Sionic Eyewear," August 2002, p. 179. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

However, Applicant would like to note that the article titled Sionic Eyewear is not prior art to the present Application. Rather, the present Application was filed on December 4, 2001, over eight months before the date of the Sionic Eyewear article (August 2002). Thus Applicant submits the present rejection is moot.

Drawings

The drawings stand rejected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a) for failing to illustrate certain features recited in Claims 11-19. Applicant submits that a proposed new Figure 5 was filed with the Amendment of August 22, 2003. For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants again filed herewith a new proposed Figure 5 which illustrates each of the items identified by the Examiner on page 2 of the Outstanding Official Action. Thus, Applicant submits the present objection to the drawings as moot.

The Finality of the Outstanding Office Action Should Be Withdrawn

The Outstanding Office Action, dated December 2, 2003, is identified as being Final. Applicants submit that the finality of this Office Action should be withdrawn.

Firstly, as noted above, the secondary reference applied by the Examiner in the rejection of Claims 11-19 being obvious is not prior art to the present Application. Additionally, the Outstanding Office Action does not address the proposed Figure 5 filed with the Amendment of August 22, 2003. Thus, Applicant submits that if the Examiner believes there are any remaining grounds for objection or rejection of any part of the present Application, the finality of the Outstanding Office Action should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

The undersigned has made a good faith effort to respond to all of the rejections and objections in this case and to place the claims in condition for immediate allowance.

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Nevertheless, if any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' attorney in order to resolve such issue promptly.

Respectfully submitted,

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